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REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION
(RCE) TRANSMITTAL

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Sir:

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of Application No. 10/042,971, filed January 7, 2002, for: SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR EFFICIENT INPUT/OUTPUT OF A COMPUTER SYSTEM, by: Van Jacobson.

1. Submission required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114

a. [] Previously submitted

- [] Please enter in the present application the unentered Amendment under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116, with any attachments, filed on _____ in said prior application.
[] Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or reply Brief previously filed on _____
[] Other _____

b. [X] Enclosed

- [X] A Preliminary Amendment is enclosed. Claims added by this Amendment are properly numbered consecutively beginning with the number next following the highest numbered claim in the prior application.

- [] Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
[] Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
[] Other _____

2. [X] The filing fee is calculated below:

	Claims Remaining After Amendment	Highest No. Previously Paid For	Present Extra (Equals)	Small Entity Rate	Add'l Fee	OR	Large Entity Rate	Add'l Fee
Total	34	- [31]**	= 3	x 25	\$75		x 50	\$
Indep.	6	- [4]***	= 2	x 100	\$200		x 200	\$
RCE fee				+ 395	\$		+ 790	\$
Mult. Dep.			=	+ 180	\$		+ 360	\$
				TOTAL	\$670.00	OR	TOTAL	\$

[] First Presentation of Multiple Dependent Claim [MDC]

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3. [X] The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge Deposit Account No. 16-0631 in the amount \$670.00 is enclosed for the RCE filing fee (The RCE fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e) is required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 when the RCE is filed). The Commissioner is hereby authorized to grant any extensions of time and to charge any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 and 1.17 that may be required during the entire pendency of this application to Deposit Account No. 16-0631.

Respectfully submitted,



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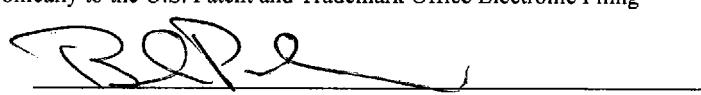
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